While this transfer would only apply to land and facilities and would not affect the repayment obligations of the Federal Government, it will help simplify the operation and maintenance of the districts' water delivery systems and eliminate unnecessary paperwork. Both districts have worked through all Federal requirements and need only to complete the process with an act of Congress.

Transfers such as those included in this bill help shrink the size and budget of Federal Government and help our communities manage our water resources in a more efficient manner. I urge my colleagues to support this consensus bill.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mrs. NAPOLITANO. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

(Mrs. NAPOLITANO asked and was given permission to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. NAPOLITANO. Mr. Speaker, H.R. 1648 simply authorizes the transfer of certain features of the Bureau of Reclamation's Cachuma Project near Santa Barbara, California, to the local water districts. Allowing the local districts to take over parts of the project will help simplify the operation and maintenance of the districts' water distribution systems. I would like very much to commend the gentlewoman from California (Mrs. CAPPS), my Democratic colleague and sponsor of this bill, who is unable to be on the floor at this moment, for her efforts to get this very important bill passed.

Mr. Speaker, H.R. 1648 is not controversial, and I urge my colleagues to support this bill.

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of H.R. 1648, the Carpinteria and Montecito Water Distribution Systems Conveyance Act of 2003—a bill I introduced that would authorize the title transfer of federally owned water distribution systems in my con-

gressional district.

I want to commend my colleagues from California, the chairman of the Resources Committee, Mr. POMBO, the chairman and ranking member of the Subcommittee on Water and Power, Mr. CALVERT and Mrs. NAPOLITANO, as well as the ranking member of the full Committee, Mr. RAHALL for expediting the consideration of this legislation in their respective committees and for bringing H.R. 1648 before us today.

This legislation will authorize the title transfer of two federally owned water distribution systems from the Bureau of Reclamation to the Carpinteria Valley Water District and Montecito Water District, as requested by the two Santa Barbara area Districts.

The purpose of the legislation is to simplify the operation and maintenance of the Districts' water distribution systems and eliminate unnecessary paperwork and consultation between the Districts and the Bureau of Reclamation.

The Carpinteria Valley Water District and Montecito Water District, which have operated and maintained the facilities proposed for transfer since 1956 and 1995, respectively.

The Districts have worked through all requirements of the Bureau of Reclamation's title transfer process including public meetings, fulfillment of their repayment obligations, completion of an environmental assessment, which resulted in a finding of no significant impact (FONSI), and compliance with all other applicable laws. The only step remaining to complete the process is an act of Congress enabling the Secretary of the Interior to transfer title.

The proposed transfer would apply only to lands and facilities associated with these facilities and would not affect the Districts' existing water service contract with the Santa Barbara County Water Agency nor the Federal government receipts from water deliveries under the contract. In addition, the proposed transfer does not envision any new physical modification or expansion of the service infrastructure.

Mr. Speaker, the proposed transfer of ownership would include the following facilities:

Carpinteria: The distribution system consisting of 36 miles of pipeline and laterals; Gobernador Reservoir; Shephard Mesa Tank; Lateral 10L, Carpinteria and Shephard Mesa pumping plants; several pressure regulating vaults located throughout the system; fences and structures; and rights-of-way, easements, leases and other property permitting access to the Federal system.

Montecito: 9.5 miles of pipelines and laterals; the Asegra Pumping Plant (a deactivated pumping plant connected to a portion of lateral 3 located on Asegra Road); Ortega Ridge Pumping plant located on Ortega Ridge Road; pressure regulating vaults, fences and structures appurtenant to the distribution system; and rights-of-way, easements, leases, and other property permitting access to the Federal system.

Again, I would like to thank the Committee on Resources for supporting this bill, and urge its immediate passage.

Mrs. NAPOLITANO. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. OSBORNE. Mr. Speaker, I commend the gentlewoman from California for her assistance through this process.

I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. CULBERSON). The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Nebraska (Mr. OSBORNE) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 1648.

The question was taken; and (twothirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

HONORING THE 101ST AIRBORNE AT FORT CAMPBELL

(Mrs. BLACKBURN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. BLACKBURN. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to talk a little bit about the 101st Airborne at Fort Campbell, which is in Clarksville, Tennessee, and in my district. And I have visited with General Petreaus, commander of the 101st, and members of this elite group

of American soldiers in Mosul where they are working to stabilize Iraq. Their work in Iraq is absolutely astounding. What they have accomplished is astounding, and it is a testament to their training, to their dedication, and to their love of liberty.

For the past 2 weeks the activity has absolutely broken our hearts. We have lost some of our Nation's finest, and Fort Campbell has lost some loved ones. And to the family, the friends, and their colleagues, we offer our thoughts and our prayers. And we want them to know that America is grateful not only for their service but certainly grateful for their sacrifice.

Throughout the history of the 101st, this country has relied on these brave soldiers, these brave defenders of freedom, to keep us free; and today is no different. We ask that God bless America, that He bless our Fort Campbell families and our fallen heroes.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m.

Accordingly (at 4 o'clock and 4 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m.

□ 1900

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker protempore (Mr. Duncan) at 7 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on motions to suspend the rules previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

S.J. Res. 22, by the yeas and nays;

S.J. Res. 18, by the yeas and nays;

H. Con. Res. 299, by the yeas and nays.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. The remaining votes in this series will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

RECOGNIZING AGRICULTURAL RE-SEARCH SERVICE FOR 50 YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and pass the Senate joint resolution, S.J. Res. 22.

The Clerk read the title of the Senate joint resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. GUTKNECHT) that the House suspend the rules and pass the Senate joint resolution, S.J. Res. 22, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were-yeas 332, nays 0, not voting 102, as follows:

[Roll No. 620]

YEAS-332 Abercrombie Feeney Markey Marshall Alexander Ferguson Andrews Matheson Filner McCarthy (MO) Baca Flake Baird Foley McCarthy (NY) Baker Ford McCotter Fossella Ballance McCrery Franks (AZ) McDermott Ballenger Frelinghuysen Barrett (SC) McHugh Bartlett (MD) McInnis Gallegly Barton (TX) McIntyre Garrett (NJ) McKeon Bass Bell Gerlach McNulty Berkley Gillmor Meehan Berry Meeks (NY) Gingrey Biggert Goode Goodlatte Mica Michaud Bilirakis Bishop (GA) Gordon Millender Bishop (NY) Bishop (UT) Goss Granger McDonald Miller (FL) Blackburn Graves Miller (NC) Boehlert Green (TX) Miller, Gary Green (WI) Boehner Moore Moran (KS) Boozman Grijalva Gutknecht Boswell Moran (VA) Boucher Murphy Bradley (NH) Hall Musgrave Brady (PA) Brady (TX) Harman Nadler Napolitano Hastings (FL) Brown (OH) Hastings (WA) Nethercutt Hayes Hayworth Brown (SC) Neugebauer Brown, Corrine Nev Northup Burgess Hefley Hensarling Burns Norwood Burton (IN) Nunes Hinchey Buyer Oberstar Camp Hinojosa Obey Olver Hoeffel Cannon Cantor Hoekstra Osborne Holden Capito Ose Otter Holt Capps Cardin Honda Owens Hooley (OR) Pallone Cardoza Hostettler Carter Pascrell Case Houghton Pastor Castle Hyde Paul Inslee Chabot Payne Chocola Israel Pearce Jackson (IL) Pence Clay Coble Jefferson Peterson (MN) Conyers John Petri Johnson (CT) Pickering Cooper Costello Johnson (IL) Platts Johnson, F. B. Cox Pomerov Johnson, Sam Cramer Porter Jones (NC) Crane Crenshaw Portman Jones (OH) Price (NC) Crowley Kanjorski Pryce (OH) Keller Cubin Putnam Culberson Kellv Rahall Cummings Kennedy (MN) Ramstad Cunningham Kennedy (RI) Regula Davis (AL) Kildee Rehberg Davis (CA) Kilpatrick Renzi Davis (FL) King (NY) Rodriguez Rogers (KY) Davis (TN) Kingston Rogers (MI) Davis, Jo Ann Kirk Kleczka Davis, Tom Rohrabacher Deal (GA) Ros-Lehtinen Kline Knollenberg DeFazio Ross Rothman DeGette Kolbe Delahunt LaHood Roybal-Allard DeLauro Langevin Royce Ruppersberger Deutsch Lantos Larsen (WA) Diaz-Balart, L. Rush Diaz-Balart, M. Ryan (OH) Larson (CT) Rvan (WI) Dicks Latham Dingell LaTourette Sabo Doggett Leach Sanchez, Loretta Dooley (CA) Lee Sandlin Levin Duncan Saxton Edwards Lewis (CA) Schiff Schrock Ehlers Lewis (GA) Emerson Lewis (KY) Scott (GA) Linder LoBiondo Engel English Scott (VA) Sensenbrenner Eshoo Lofgren Shadegg Etheridge Lowey Lucas (KY) Shaw Shays Evans Everett Lynch Sherman Maloney Manzullo Sherwood Shimkus Farr

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Tauscher Shuster Vitter Simpson Tauzin Walden (OR) Skelton Taylor (MS) Walsh Slaughter Smith (MI) Terry Wamp Thomas Watson Smith (NJ) Thompson (CA) Watt Thompson (MS) Thornberry Smith (TX) Waxman Smith (WA) Weldon (FL) Snyder Tiahrt Weldon (PA) Tiberi Weller Solis Souder Whitfield Toomey Spratt Towns Wicker Wilson (NM) Turner (OH) Stark Stearns Turner (TX) Wilson (SC) Stenholm Udall (CO) Wolf Strickland Woolsey Udall (NM) Upton Van Hollen Stupak Wu Young (AK) Sullivan Young (FL) Visclosky Tancredo

NOT VOTING-102

Forbes Miller, George Ackerman Frank (MA) Aderholt Mollohan Gephardt Akin Murtha Allen Gibbons Myrick Gilchrest Neal (MA) Bachus Baldwin Gonzalez Nussle Beauprez Gutierrez Ortiz Becerra Harris Oxley Bereuter Hart Pelosi Peterson (PA) Berman Herger Blumenauer Hobson Pitts Blunt Hoyer Hulshof Pombo Bonilla Quinn Bonner Hunter Radanovich Bono Isakson Rangel Boyd Issa Reves Brown-Waite, Istook Reynolds Rogers (AL) Ryun (KS) Ginny Jackson-Lee Burr (TX) Calvert Janklow Sanchez, Ĺinda Capuano Jenkins T. Sanders Carson (IN) Kaptur Carson (OK) Schakowsky Kind King (IA) Clyburn Serrano Kucinich Cole Sessions Collins Simmons Lampson Lipinski Lucas (OK) Davis (IL) Sweeney DeLay Tanner DeMint Majette Taylor (NC) Doolittle Matsui Tierney McCollum Velazquez Doyle Dreier McGovern Waters Meek (FL) Dunn Weiner Emanuel Menendez Wexler Fletcher Miller (MI) Wynn

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. DUNCAN) (during the vote). There are 2 minutes remaining in this vote.

□ 1922

So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the Senate joint resolution was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the remainder of votes in this series will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

COMMENDING INSPECTORS GEN-**EFFORTS** DURING ERAL FOR PAST 25 YEARS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and passing the Senate joint resolution, S.J. Res. 18.

The Clerk read the title of the Senate joint resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by

the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. DUNCAN) that the House suspend the rules and pass the Senate joint resolution, S.J. Res. 18, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 326, nays 3, not voting 105, as follows:

[Roll No. 621]

YEAS-326

Abercrombie English Alexander Etheridge Andrews Baca Evans Baird Everett Baker Farr Ballance Fattah Ballenger Barrett (SC) Feeney Ferguson Bartlett (MD) Filner Barton (TX) Flake Bass Foley Bell Ford Fossella Franks (AZ) Berkley Berry Biggert Frelinghuysen Frost Gallegly Bilirakis Bishop (GA) Bishop (NY) Garrett (NJ) Bishop (UT) Blackburn Gerlach Gillmor Boehlert Gingrey Boehner Goode Boozman Goodlatte Boswell Gordon Boucher Goss Bradley (NH) Granger Brady (PA) Graves Green (TX) Brady (TX) Brown (OH) Green (WI) Brown (SC) Greenwood Grijalya Brown, Corrine Gutknecht Burgess Burns Hall Burton (IN) Harman Hastings (FL) Buyer Camp Hastings (WA) Cannon Hayes Cantor Hayworth Hefley Hensarling Capito Capps Hill Hinchey Cardoza Hinojosa Carter Case Hoeffel Castle Hoekstra Holden Chabot Clay Coble Holt Honda Convers Hooley (OR) Cooper Hostettler Costello Houghton Cox Hyde Cramer Inslee Crane Israel Crenshaw Jackson (IL) Crowley Janklow Cubin Jefferson Culberson John Cummings Johnson (CT) Johnson (IL) Cunningham Davis (AL) Johnson, E. B. Davis (CA) Johnson, Sam Davis (FL) Jones (NC) Davis (TN) Jones (OH) Davis. Jo Ann Kanjorski Davis, Tom Keller Deal (GA) Kelly Kennedy (MN) DeFazio DeGette Kennedy (RI) Kildee Kilpatrick Delahunt DeLauro Deutsch King (NY) Diaz-Balart, L. Diaz-Balart, M. Kingston Kirk Kleczka Dicks Kline Knollenberg Dingell Doggett Dooley (CA) LaHood Duncan Langevin Edwards Lantos Larsen (WA) Ros-Lehtinen Ehlers Ross Rothman Emerson Larson (CT) Latham Engel

LaTourette Leach Lee Levin Lewis (CA) Lewis (GA) Lewis (KY) Linder LoBiondo Lofgren Lucas (KY) Lynch Maloney Manzullo Markey Marshall Matheson McCarthy (MO) McCarthy (NY) McCotter McCrery McDermott McHugh McInnis McIntyre McKeon McNulty Meehan Meeks (NY) Mica Michaud Millender-McDonald Miller (NC) Miller, Gary Moore Moran (KS) Moran (VA) Murphy Musgrave Nadler Napolitano Nethercutt Neugebauer Ney Northun Norwood Nunes Oberstar Obey Olver Osborne Ose Otter Owens Pallone Pascrell Pastor Paul Payne Pearce Pence Peterson (MN) Petri Pickering Platts Pomeroy Porter Portman Price (NC) Pryce (OH) Putnam Rahall Ramstad Regula Rehberg Renzi Rodriguez Rogers (KY) Rogers (MI) Rohrabacher